

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Let the one among you
who is without sin
be the first to throw
a stone at her.

Jn 8:7

Our Lady of the Visitation Catholic Church

305 North Prince Street, Shippensburg, PA 17257

Our Mission:

To Proclaim the Kingdom of God for the Salvation of Souls

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MASS SCHEDULE RECONCILIATION - ADORATION



Weekend Masses

Saturday.....5:00 pm
Sunday.....8:00 am & 11:00am

Daily Mass

Tuesday, Thursday & Friday.....8:30 am
Wednesday.....6:30 pm
First Saturday of the Month.....9:00 am



Reconciliation:

Saturdays... 3:30pm – 4:30pm
Wednesdays...5:30pm – 6:20pm
First Friday of the Month...7:30 am – 8:20 am
First Saturday of the Month...8:00 am – 8:45 am

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament

First Friday of the Month...
7:30 am – 8:20 am

Religious Education

Sundays ...9:30 am – 10:45am





CONFESSION

6:00-6:45pm

Every Friday during Lent (In addition to the normal times)



FRIDAYS AT 7:00pm

POTLUCK SUNDAY Join us for a Potluck Sunday Lunch every 3rd Sunday immediately following the 11am Mass (so around noon or 12:15pm). Please bring a dish to share. The parish will supply water, juice & coffee. (**NO POTLUCK THIS APRIL**)

YOUTH GROUP: Grades 6-12 will meet every 2nd & 4th Saturday evening from 6-8pm in the social hall. Feel free to invite your friends!

RUN WITH A PRIEST! (...or walk or bike!) Every 1st & 3rd Saturday we will meet outside the social hall around 9:45am where we will say a prayer at 10am, then go for a short run (walk or bike) on the Rails to Trails. The social hall will be open for water.



The Knights of Columbus will be selling raffle tickets after mass in the back of the church. Prizes are listed on the white board. Tickets are \$10.00 for 3 or \$5.00 for 1. **The raffle is to support the joint scholarships sponsored by the Knights and Ladies Auxiliary for 2 parish senior high school students and seminarian.**



Saturday, April 2

9:00am Special Intentions

5:00pm In Memory of Ron Gilson

Sunday, April 3

8:00am In Memory of Joyce Bright

11:00am People of the Parish

Tuesday, April 5

8:30am In Memory of Roger Dechene

Wednesday, April 6

6:30pm In Memory of Margaret Steinour

Thursday, April 7

8:30am In Memory of Mike Glover

Friday, April 8

8:30am In Memory of Margaret Steinour

Saturday, April 9

5:00pm People of the Parish

Sunday, April 10

8:00am Intentions of John S. Bonitz

11:00am In Memory of Joyce Bright

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The Food bank is now closed and SPO (Shippensburg Produce Outreach) is in the process of taking over some of what the Food Bank offered. This transition could take some time. SPO has a minimum amount of shelving, as most of their products come on pallets. They are asking at this time we supply ONLY the following items: personal care items such as toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner, soap, deodorant, adult diapers (like Depends), and female hygiene products. They do not need any baby diapers or baby wipes at this time.

SPO is also in need of someone who is computer savvy to keep their web site up to date. This can be done at home.

Any questions call or text Bobbi Staver 717-816-5309
Thanks you for your continued support.



Knights of Columbus & The Ladies Auxiliary
The next meeting of the K of C will be on Thursday April 7th at 7 pm in the Parish Hall.
For more information contact Mike Connor at mconnor2001@gmail.com or **717-530-5165**.

The next Ladies Aux. meeting will be Tuesday, April 5th at 7pm in the parish hall. For more information regarding the Ladies Aux. contact Donna Bonitz at 717-860-4909 or ddbonitz@gmail.com.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Saturday, April 2nd—Run with a Priest (or bike, or walk). Meet outside of the social hall entrance at 10am.

Saturday, March April 9th — Youth Group 6-8pm (Grade 6-12) Please meet in the social hall. Bring a friend!

Monday, April 4th—"The Way of the Cross with the Women of the World" 7:00pm in the church.

Wednesday, April 6th — Morning Prayer 8:30am
Bible Study 7:15pm-8:15pm in the social hall.

Friday, April 8th — Adoration 9:00 am—7:00 pm,
Confession 6:00-6:45pm, Stations of the Cross 7:00pm



Save the date!

Parish Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Sunday, April 24th after the 11am Mass.

More details will follow.



The Way of the Cross with the Women of the World

Our Lady of the Visitation

Monday, April 4, at 7:00pm

These stations are designed to allow us to walk mindfully in solidarity with women of the world as we consider their sufferings. While these prayers focus on women, they are meant to be prayed by the entire community, by all men and women who are concerned about the suffering Christ in our world and in our midst.

SAVE THE DATE! - New Parish Directory Coming in May!

We have signed up with Re:Member Church Directories for at least three days in mid-May to have pictures taken and a new directory created for our parish. Please put May 16th-18th from 2-8:30 pm on your calendars! **Sign ups will not occur until around Easter**, and we will let you know how to sign up.



March 26-27 2022

Weekend Collection:	\$3,729.10
Immaculate Conception:	50.00
Ash Wednesday:	25.00
Building Improvements:	80.00
Social Outreach:	150.00
Parish Youth Education:	198.00
Easter Flowers:	100.00
Votives/Donuts:	77.00
Catholic Relief:	140.00
TOTAL INCOME:	\$4,549.10

Online giving made easy!

Please visit the following link:

<https://olvshippensburg.weshareonline.org>

Women's Lenten Bible Study (No meeting on Tuesday, April 5th)

The Women's Bible Study, Walking with Purpose, is having a Lenten Bible Study called *Ordering Your Priorities: Building a Life Well Lived* on Tuesday evenings from 7:00 - 8:30 pm in the social hall. The Bible Study is from March 8th thru April 12th, and all women are welcome and encouraged to attend and check it out! Please consider stopping by at least once if you can, and please contact Mary Geesaman at 717-552-7487 or email mgeesaman1@gmail.com for more information. Finally, If you are unable to attend any/all of these dates, **Walking With Purpose** will have LIVE sessions on Thursdays at 8pm via Instagram, YouTube, and Facebook for self-study opportunities.



Were you married in 1972? In honor of your 50th Wedding Anniversary, there will be a special Mass and reception on Sunday, July 10, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. at Good Shepherd Parish in Camp Hill. Bishop Ronald W. Gainer will be the celebrant. To receive an invitation, please contact your parish office at 717-532-2912 or email tpolner@hbgdiocese.org



Hersheypark Discount Ticket Offer!

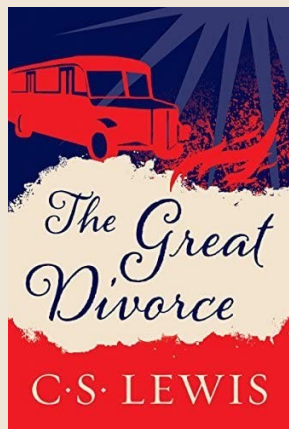
Discount tickets to Hersheypark are available to the friends and families of the parish for **significant savings**. Gate admission for Regular is \$77.80; our price is **\$39.95** (ALL ages 3+).

***ADD-ON discount Hersheypark Meal Tickets at a savings of up to 12% off retail prices - \$13.99 each and *ADD-ON Snack Vouchers - \$4.50 each *ADD-ON Parking Pass - \$20.00 pre-ordered**

or pay \$25.00 onsite. Tickets purchased in 2022 are valid for any single day of operation throughout the 2022 calendar year, expiring on our final day of operation, January 1, 2023. Orders must be received at the parish by **Friday, April 29, 2022**. Parishes will receive tickets on or before the week of May 23, 2022. Order forms are in the back of the church.

BOOK OF THE MONTH

MARCH & APRIL



The Great Divorce? - Divorce is about the great separation OR the difference in our the state of hearts for eternity.

The Great Divorce by

C.S. Lewis

This book is not about divorce literally, but it is a classic fictional story focused on heaven and our journey to get there through our lives on this earth. C.S. Lewis is such a well-known and well-loved author, and this book truly does immerse the reader in a tale and pulls us out of the superficial and non-essential aspects of our lives and encourages us to surge towards God and heaven with all that we are and meant to become in God's grace. This does not attempt to give a full theological treatise on the topics of heaven and hell, judgement and paradise, but it does help us lift our imaginations above the banality of this life and put

our minds on things of God. We will read this book throughout the months of March and April, and the book discussion will take place on Wednesday, May 4th from 7:15 - 8:15 pm in the Social hall of the main church. Each parishioner will be asked to purchase the book themselves online or in a bookstore, but please let us know if you have any financial difficulties with this, and we will find a way to help you out and get the book. Just one last reminder, that this Book of the Month is not a book group or book club. It is truly just a monthly or bi-monthly gathering where everyone is welcome. After a summary of the book by Fr. Ben, there is some very relaxed small group discussion. Please join us! God Bless you.

Families Invited!! We are expanding our Greeter Ministry!



The Catholic Church is community. With this teaching in mind, we are inviting families to join our greeter team.

Having a family at the social hall door to greet our children coming to CCD is a wonderful way to show we are a welcoming family oriented community. We are planning to expand the number of greeters; so families and any other interested parishioners are encouraged to contact John Thornton: (508) 868-5640, johnnie7746@gmail.com. We would LOVE to have you become part of this very important and fun ministry. as a FAMILY or individual.



The 2022 Diocesan Annual Campaign, One Faith, One Family, has begun. Thank you to all who have pledged to this year's campaign. To date, we have received **\$27,135.00** gifts/pledges totaling towards this year's

goal of **\$30,223.00** for the Diocesan Annual Campaign.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament



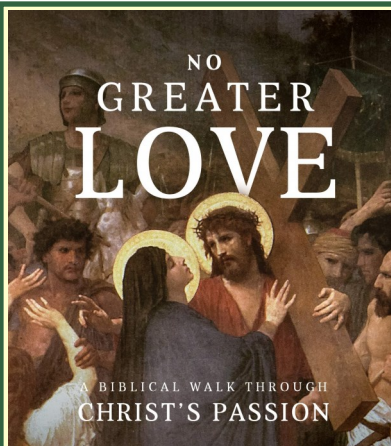
FRIDAYS During Lent

This Lenten season, we are having Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Fridays from 9:00 am (after morning Mass) until 7:00 pm (when Stations of the Cross begin). There is a sign up sheet in the back of the Church for each Friday, and we do need people to sign up for these times in order for this to work out well. Trust me when I say, that if you put yourself in front of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist for an extended period of time, He will pour His grace into your heart in a powerful way to say the least. God Bless you, and please contact me with any questions frbdunkelberger@hbgdiocese.org.

Ecumenical Stations of the Cross

Please join us at noon on Good Friday (April 15th) at OLV for Ecumenical Station of the Cross.

National Radio Host to Speak Locally – Dr. David Anders, host of 'Called to Communion' on EWTN Radio, will be the Key-note Speaker at the annual Holy Family Radio Benefit Dinner on Friday, April 29. The dinner will be at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, Mechanicsburg. Tickets are \$100 each. This dinner is an important source of funds for the listener supported local radio ministry. A Meet & Greet will begin at 6 p.m. with Dr. Anders, Bishop Ronald Gainer and Tom Russell of CBS21. The dinner starts at 7 p.m. Tickets can be purchased at www.720whyf.com or by sending reservations and payment to Holy Family Radio, P.O. Box 6028, Lancaster, PA 17607-6028. Registration deadline is Wednesday, April 6. Call 717-525-8110 with questions.



No Greater Love

Bible Study

Fr. Ben will be hosting a Wednesday evening Bible Study starting on Wednesday, March 16th from 7:15 - 8:15 pm in the Social Hall. It will be five weeks long (ending on Wednesday, April 12th), and it will be focusing in on Jesus' Passion during what we now call Holy Week,

which is the week leading up to Jesus' Resurrection and Easter Sunday! We will watch 25 – 30 min videos, and then have a big group discussion. You can purchase this book if you'd like online, but it is not required to attend. Please considering joining us for one or more evenings, and God Bless you this Lent!

Filmed on location in the Holy Land, *No Greater Love* is a biblical pilgrimage that reveals Christ's amazing love for us. Best-selling author Edward Sri guides you through the last hours of Christ's life. You will walk step-by-step with Jesus from the garden of Gethsemane to Mount Calvary. Every step of the way, Old Testament prophecies, messianic expectations, biblical symbolism, and historical context shed light on the mystery of Christ's suffering and death. Experience a deeper understanding and appreciation of God's immeasurable and unconditional love for you—grow closer to Jesus than you ever have before. Authored and presented by Edward Sri, *No Greater Love* also features Fr. Mike Schmitz, Jeff Cavins, Jennifer Fulwiler, Curtis Martin, Teresa Tomeo, Fr. Josh Johnson, and Elizabeth Sri.

The Tenth Annual Freedom Seder, "Why We Welcome Refugees" will be held Thursday, April 7th at 6:30 pm in person at Beth El Temple, 2637 North Front Street, Harrisburg and virtually on Zoom.

The Freedom Seder is an interfaith event that commemorates the journey from slavery to freedom for Jews in ancient Egypt and for African-Americans in the United States. We celebrate these emancipations while acknowledging the forms of hatred and oppression that persist today, and committing to work against them together. We will sing, perform Passover rituals, share a meal, and hear stories of refugees in our neighborhood as we explore the question: Why do we welcome refugees?

Catholic Charities will be among several groups making a short presentation on their work with refugees.

To attend in person please RSVP to Patty Brown at paty@bethelhbg.org or call 717-232-0556. The cost to attend in person is \$18. To attend virtually please register at <https://bit.ly/3GPVGfg>



Shippensburg Community Resource Coalition

HOUND PACKS

We have been doing very well supplying the soups. We pack 147 bags each week but only when school is in session. Each bag gets 10 items and 2 of those items are soup each week. We pack the bags on Wednesday at 5:30 and it takes about 30 minutes. Please consider volunteering to help. We pack at the warehouse that houses the Shoe Box Ministry on Marden Ave. We will start again in January. Questions call Bobbi Staver 717-816-5309

SPECIAL COLLECTION

Ukraine

Thank you for your support of this collection for our suffering brothers and sisters in Ukraine.

Parishes in the Diocese of Harrisburg are invited to take up a second collection for the people of Ukraine, to aid in their suffering

as a result of the invasion by Russian forces. An effective way to aid Ukraine is through the Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Philadelphia, who will oversee the distribution of these funds in their homeland. Archbishop Borys Gudziak expresses his gratitude to the faithful of the Diocese for their compassion and generosity. **The collection will be taken up on Palm Sunday weekend, April 9-10.**

Donations can also be made at any time to the Humanitarian Aid Fund for Ukraine through the Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Philadelphia. To donate directly to this fund:

1. Send your check, payable to the "Diocese of Harrisburg," to the Diocese of Harrisburg, 4800 Union Deposit Road, Harrisburg, PA 17111. Please write on the check "**Humanitarian Aid Fund for Ukraine**"; or
2. Visit the Philadelphia Archeparchy website, www.ukrarcheparchy.us, and click on **Donate through PAYPAL** and select "**WAR VICTIMS AND HUMANITARIAN CRISIS IN UKRAINE**"

There are no small or large donations; no matter the size, your donation can change someone's life for the better. Whether or not you are able to donate monetarily, please pray for the people of Ukraine and all those that suffer because of war. May the Lord bless you and our brothers and sisters in Ukraine!